

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 35 public bills, H.R. 1678–1712; and; 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 134–136, and H. Res. 218, 220–222 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 866, to make technical corrections to the United States Code (H. Rept. 109–48); and

H. Res. 219, providing for consideration of H.R. 6, to ensure jobs for our future with secure, affordable, and reliable energy (H. Rept. 109–49).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Fortenberry to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. Timothy B. Johnson, Pastor, The Church of the Redeemer in Bowie, Maryland.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Sense of Congress regarding the issuance of the 500,000th design patent by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: H. Con. Res. 53, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the issuance of the 500,000th design patent by the United States Patent and Trademark Office;

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Family Entertainment and Copyright Act of 2005: S. 167, to provide for the protection of intellectual property rights—clearing the measure for the President;

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Multidistrict Litigation Restoration Act of 2005: H.R. 1038, to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow a judge to whom a case is transferred to retain jurisdiction over certain multidistrict litigation cases for trial;

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Trademark Dilution Revision Act of 2005: H.R. 683, amended, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 with respect to dilution by blurring or tarnishment, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas and nay vote of 411 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 109;

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Providing for the appointment of Shirley Ann Jackson to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: H.J. Res. 19, providing for the appointment of Shirley Ann Jackson as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution,

by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas and nay vote of 417 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 110; and

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Providing for the appointment of Robert P. Kogod to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: H.J. Res. 20, providing for the appointment of Robert P. Kogod as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas and nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 111.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:25 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Inspector General for the House of Representatives—Appointment: The Chair announced the joint appointment by the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader of Mr. Steven A. McNamara of Sterling, Virginia to the position of Inspector General for the House of Representatives for the 109th Congress, effective January 4, 2005.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H2111.

Senate Referrals: S. 289 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas and nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H2126, H2126–27, and H2127. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEPARTMENTS OF TRANSPORTATION, TREASURY, AND HUD, THE JUDICIARY, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the IRS. Testimony was heard from Mark W.